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In re Patent Application of

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For: **LOCKABLE CONTAINER HAVING AN INTEGRAL AND INTERNAL
LOCKING MECHANISM AND METHODS OF USE**

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RESPONSE TO JUNE 14, 2006 OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed June 14, 2006 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

_____ If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

| NO. CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT | HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | EXTRA PRESENT | RATE | ADDIT. FEE |
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| TOTAL | MINUS | * = | X (\$25 SE or \$50) | \$ |
| INDEP. | MINUS | ** = | X (\$100 SE or \$200) | \$ |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | X | (\$180 SE or \$360) | \$ |

* not less than 20 ** not less than 3

TOTAL \$

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If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

1. ____ If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
2. ____ If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
3. ____ If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
4. ____ If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.